(Unit: ITDC), if so;

(b) since when the same has been made applicable to the hotel; and

(c) the classification of employees stipulated under the certified standing orders?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The certified standing Orders are applicable in Ashok Hotel, New Delhi since 16 October, 62 as amended from time to time. As per these Orders the classification of employees is stipulated as under:—

(a) Permanent

(b) Temporary

(c) Badlis

(d) Casuals

(e) Probationers

(f) Apprentices

CAG on mounting public debt

1034. SHRI O. P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) has expressed his concern over the mounting public debts;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) how much money has been raised by Government from internal and external borrowings from June, 1990 till date and how much of it is still outstanding?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) and (b) The Comptroller and Auditor General's report titled "Public Debt", has dealt with the issues of mounting internal and external debt, growing debt servicing obligations, sharp growth of revenue deficit, outstanding dues from State Governments and others, poor utilisation of external assistance, etc. The report was tabled in the Rajya Sabha on 13-2-1995.

(c) The net additional internal borrowings including other liabilities and extenral borrowings on Government account according to book value from 1990-91 to 1994-95 (RE) add upto Rs. 273435.80 crores. The total debt outstanding at the end of March, 1995 is estimated at Rs. 541328.61 crores as per RE 1994-95.

Expenditure incurred on curbing terrorist activities in N.E. States

1035. SHRI MYODEK YONGGAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether State Governments of Assam, Nagaland and Manipur of North Eastern States have approached Finance Commission for refunding of crores of rupees incurred on curbing terrorist activities in these States;

(b) if so, what are the details of the request made by the Governments of Assam, Nagaland and Manipur in this regard;

(c) whether Government have taken any final decision in this respect; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be furnished.

Strike by LIC and FIC employees

1036. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the employees of LIC and GIC went on a day-long strike in the country on 16th February, 1995;

(b) if so, what are their main demand;

(c) whether Government have considered their demands; and

(d) if so, the decision taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) to (d) The Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) and the General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC) have reported that their employees went on one day strike on 16-2-1995 mainly demanding that insurance industry should not be privatised; pension agreement should be implemented and wage negotiations should be immediately commenced. The Government is yet to take a view on the recommendation of the Malhotra Committee that private sector should be allowed to enter insurance business. Pension Scheme for the employees of the insurance sector has since been approved by the Government. The Government will consider. wage negotiations at the appropriate time.

प्रमुख विमानपत्तनों पर पकड़ा गया सोना

1037. **श्री गोपाल सिंह जी० सोलंकी :** क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करगे कि :

(क) वर्ष 1990–91, 1991–92, 1992–93 और 1993–94 के दौरान देश के प्रमुख विमानपत्तनों पर तस्करी का कितना सोना पकड़ा गया ;

(ख) अन्तरराष्ट्रीय बाजार में इस सोने का मूल्य कितना है ;

(ग) यह सोना किस स्थान पर रखा गया है और इसकी नीलामी के लिये सरकार न क्या प्रयास किये हैं ;

(घ) इस संबंध में कितने व्यक्तियों को पकड़ा गया है और क्या इस मामल में सीमा शुल्क अधिकारी भी शामिल पाये गये हैं ; और

(ङ) सरकार ने सोने की तस्करी को रोकने के लिये क्या ठोस कदम उठाए हैं ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम०वी० चन्द्रशेखर मूर्ति) :

(क) वर्ष 1990–91, 1991–92, 1992–93, और 1993–94 के दौरान देश में बड़े हवाई अड्डों पर पकड़ गये तस्करी के सोने की मात्रा वर्षवार नीचे दी गई है :—

वर्ष	मात्रा (किलोग्राम में)
1990–91	3,192.275
1991–92	1,838.881
1992–93	1,261.557
1993–94	649.825

(ख) वर्ष 1990–91 से वर्ष 1993–94 तक की अवधि के दौरान बड़े हवाई अड्डों पर पकड़े गये सोने का अन्तरराष्ट्रीय मूल्य जनवरी, 1995 में लन्दन में प्रचलित सोने के मूल्य के आधार पर 270.38 करोड़ रुपये आंका गया है।

(ग) पकड़ा गया सोना विभाग के स्ट्रांग रूमों, बैंक लाकरों या राज्य सरकार के खजाने मे रखा जाता है।

पकड़े गये सोने का शीघ्रता से निपटान करने के लिए सरकार ते 1–12–1994 से बम्बई में सीमा-शुल्क को खुदरा दुकान के जरिये बिक्री आरम्भ की है।

(घ) इस अवधि के दौरान, सोने की तस्करी के संबंध में 2,378 व्यक्ति पकड़े गये थे। तथापि, सोने की तस्करी के मामले में कोई सीमा शुल्क अधिकारी शामिल नहीं पाया गया है।